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HAPPINESS VERSUS PLEASURE

Pleasure is momentary. Happiness is eternal. To satisfy his senses and shield his feeble intellect from thoughts that overpower it, man is forever seeking something to amuse him. He may be spoiled or excited and declare himself a pleasure man. He may be bored and declare himself a pleasure man. He may be bored and declare himself a pleasure man.

True happiness is an inner virtue obtained by absorbing the outer infinite. Like the ocean depths it remains quiet amidst the storms that trouble the surface. It exists and persists through misery and sorrow and extends even unto the brink of the grave. Do you imagine that grief and happiness can be separated? No, they are inseparable and both are indestructible, in spite of man's allegations to the contrary. We are not the shallow pagans of a passing infatuation but the great and limitless love that is God. Misery is impotent to affect it. We remember here the sublime words of the poet: "I met in the street a very plain man who was in love. His hat was old, his coat was threadbare—there were holes at his elbows, the water passed through his shoes and the stars through his soul."

ECCENTRICITIES

Figure It Yourself
Nobody ever added up
The value of a smile.
We know how much a dollar's worth
And how much is a mile.
We know the distance to the sun,
The size and weight of earth
But no one here can tell us just
How much a smile is worth.

"Dress! Dress!" the deacon impatiently exploded. "That's all the modern girl" thinks about dress. It's a mad race after fashion. "Verily," replied the pastor, "every girl is trying to outstrip the other."

Although General Pershing is getting ready to write a book about the war, Dave Bell commends him for restraining himself as long as he did. A magazine defender of the I. W. W. says he has found them "uniformly courteous and polite." Quite so. Out in Illinois a whole bunch of them have just begged pardon.

He Didn't and He Did
The editor of a country weekly had been trying for some months to get an ad from the village undertaker and furniture dealer. Finally he quit arguing and asked, "Unless you advertise, how do you expect to get more customers?" "More customers? More customers? Who wants more? Everybody wants credit. If I had any more customers I would go broke. Never will I advertise for more customers."

In the old days a ford was a place where you crossed the river. Now it is a machine for crossing streams and streets.

As Usual
Some people are engaged in an effort to make divorce more difficult. They are, of course, people who have no hope of being able to get divorced themselves.

Auto Signals
Right Turn—Extend left arm and hand, signaling driver in rear to come ahead, indicating that he may pass in safety.
Left Turn—Extend left arm and hand with index finger pointing this indicating that you are going to turn.
Slow Up—Extend left arm and hand, with palm downward.

Overhead in Quick Lunch Room
Customer, eyeing an order of griddle cakes, which were being burned; "I see that the restaurant is now using buckwheat coal. From the looks of these cakes, the chef is using it instead of buckwheat flour."

Poor Outlook For Inspiration
Fifty years from now it will be impossible to find any rich man who began his career as an office boy at a salary of \$3 a week. You can't get an office boy for any such ridiculous salary as that any more.

Charlie Bingham says the horses are not kicking over the way the people have taken to automobiles.

Forty-four Years Ago
Mrs. Erastus Beebe is not in good health, but she continues to be quite smart and active for her age.

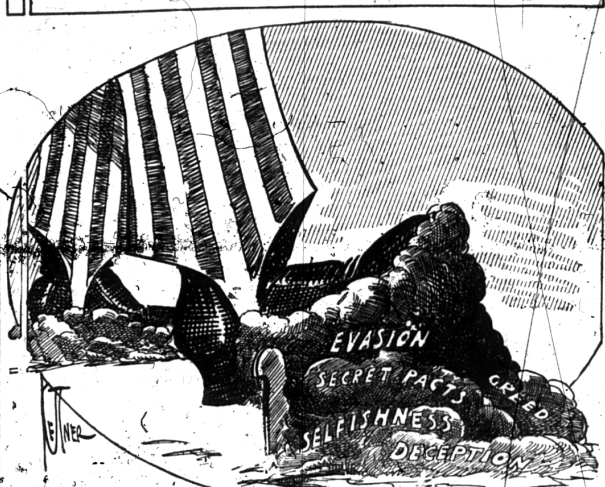
Dick Leet received a nine pound Valentine last week in the shape of a young lad. That is the reason why Dick's hat stands at an angle of forty-five degrees.

The reason Sam Hawthorn is good-natured is that he's found another baby. This time there is no mistake. It's a boy and Sam will train him in the way he should go.

Married by the Rev. J. P. Gibson Feb. 18, at the residence of the bride's parents in Southfield, Mr. Fotta and Miss Martha Heart.

A pleasant surprise was held at

Still Muddy Over There



Mr. Matthew Irwin on Friday evening of last week. A man who is reported to be a member of the "Reported Tests of the Hotel-Frisson Cows" which is published by Malcolm H. Gardner of Delaware, Wis. She is reported as having produced at the age of two years and six months 20,042 lbs. of milk and 837.4 lbs. of butter fat, in 365 days, equivalent to 818.4 lbs. of butter.

Miss Clara Lathrop has secured the position of teacher in the Chestfield district in Troy for the coming summer. Miss Clara is a wide-awake young lady and we predict her success as a teacher.

John F. Schroder and family started for Kansas Monday. John will buy a farm in that delightful country and settle down.

Miss Fannie Hastings of Detroit, is visiting at Phin. Simonson's.

Twenty-five Years Ago
Francis Poole comes to the front again with a boy this time.

Carrie E. Mitchell entertained 22 young lady friends Saturday last, they helped to celebrate her 41st birthday anniversary. All had a jolly good time and Tracy with his camera got a grand good picture of the entire party of youth and beauty.

The revival services at the Methodist church continue with growing interest the Sunday school room being crowded to its limit, nearly every evening. During the past week seven have started in the Christian work. The services are being held by pastor giving short Gospel talks during some evenings and the people engaging in prayer, song and testimony services on other evenings. All the services on next Sunday will be of special revival nature.

A little son has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bush, the sixth.

On Friday last, the day before the anniversary of Lincoln, the Freshmen gave a Lincoln program. The debate as to the comparative merits of Lincoln and Washington was decided in favor of Lincoln, we presume because it was Lincoln Day. The speakers for Lincoln were Mandel Campbell and Belle Ward, for Washington were Rennie Bell and Thomas Ewing. The upper freshman will have to look to their laurels if the freshmen can give so good a program. The exercises opened with the singing of the "Gloria of the Nation's great." Then followed a series of essays on Lincoln as a boy, rail splitter, legislator, politician, lawyer, president and one on the anecdotes of Lincoln. Lincoln's favorite poem "Why Should the Spirit of Mortal Be Proud" was recited also.

Will McDowell and wife of Detroit, were guests at the residence of Volney Goodwin one day last week.

PRESS PICKINGS
The installation officers of the Don Sherman Hubert Foot was held last Monday night, February 12, at the Presbyterian church, Redford. Besides the installation ceremony a banquet was served to the members.

After a lapse of several years, horse racing on the ice has been revived at Walled Lake. Last Saturday marked the second race of the season.

Judge Clyde Webster of Detroit, will be the speaker of the evening at the annual Father and Son banquet to be given at the Hotel Edgewater, February 23. The banquet will be held in the high school auditorium.

Arrangements are being made to present a home talent play, to be given under the auspices of the Holy baseball team, some time in the near future. The proceeds from the play will go to help pay for the grounds upon which the baseball club has an option.

In announcing to members of the Royal Oak Exchange club at their Monday meeting, the Chamber of Commerce had sent a committee to Lansing to appeal to the state legislature for a fundamental local interests. Reed Parker, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, declared this was going to take an active interest in affairs at the state capital to insure a square deal for local interests. "We intend to work hard," declared Mr. Parker, "for a wider Woodward avenue and for the proposed bill to tax mortgages and land contracts."

Pontiac Glasia, a senior two-year-old Holstein cow, owned by the State

Hospital, Pontiac, is listed in the latest bulletin of "Reported Tests of the Hotel-Frisson Cows" which is published by Malcolm H. Gardner of Delaware, Wis. She is reported as having produced at the age of two years and six months 20,042 lbs. of milk and 837.4 lbs. of butter fat, in 365 days, equivalent to 818.4 lbs. of butter.

And is Lucky.
Health and vigor asks: "How do you get your points?" Well, usually one at a time—Reading News-Times.

LOSE THE COOK OR THE BREW
"Heaven, wife, the cook wants to entertain her caller in the basement. "Did you offer her the parlor?" "Yes, but she said she would rather have the cellar." "Well, why not let her use the cellar?" "But I can't. Her head is a policeman."

TERRIBLY HARD
MICKIE SAYS—
SURE! YOU CAN GET ALONG WITHOUT SUBSCRIBING TO THIS NEWSPAPER! A FELLOW JOE LIKE WITHOUT BARBERS, AUTOS, TELEPHONES OR ELECTRIC LIGHTS OR BATH TUBS, BUT WHO WANTS TO?

Tom—I think that pretty blonde actress had a very difficult part in the play.
Mabel—Difficult? Why, she didn't say a word.
Tom—Well, isn't that difficult for a woman?

THE WAY THEY LOOK AT IT
Traveler: Son, that trunk cost me \$75.00.
Baggage Smasher: It's worth it, sir, it didn't break a bit.

HIS CHOICE OF WORK
She—And would you be content to live a life of complete idleness?
He—Oh, no, I'd like to have enough money so that I would be kept busy spending it.

AND BLAMED IT ON THE JUDGE
"How long has he been in favor of the recall of judges?"
"Ever since he lost a horse race."

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Home Town Helps

RESUME BUILDING OF HOMES

Excellent Sign in American Life is the Renewed Interest Along That Line.

Home building, which underwent something of a decline during the World War and for a short time thereafter, had become a passion in the United States, judging by figures which are presented to the attention and consideration of the public. From a survey of the situation in the United States, it is said that about \$5,000,000 has been spent for home building this year. Such a colossal enterprise, quite naturally, is worthy of more than mere cursory consideration. It is to begin with, a most encouraging sign of stability for the nation. America, as a country of home builders and home-owners, need have little worry about its future. This is one of the compelling talking points in connection with discussions of our national position. At least a start has been made in catching up with a condition which, during the war and for many months after the cessation of hostilities, threatened to become most alarming in the nation's affairs. Construction work has progressed to a point during 1932 where it seems more than likely that it will continue. The movement because of its own weight will continue for some time to come.

CONCRETE STEPS IN UNITS

Idea Has Been Found to Give Excellent Results, Both as to Looks and Durability.

Reinforced-concrete steps are now being manufactured in units that may be placed in such a manner as to present an appearance of a solid flight of stairs when completed. Each unit consists of a reinforced concrete base. The steps are reinforced by one-fourth-inch round iron rods, and while constructed strong enough to give an ordinary appearance, they are so light that they may be easily handled by two men. A gritty granite surface is used which makes them practically slip-proof and at the same time, a careful curing process renders them sufficiently hard to resist abrasion, thus giving the product additional wearing qualities—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Guarding Against Fire

Most fires could be prevented with care. It is the duty of every citizen to exercise such care. In autumn, for instance, when fires are being kindled in homes, factories and apartment houses, there will be many serious fires due to neglect of householders and janitors to make certain their flues are in good order, inflammable rubbish is removed from basements, coal is properly stored, etc. Dampness has raised many pipes and flues in the course of the summer. Sudden heat and strong drafts will bend down these weak spots and break up in flames which may destroy a dwelling for a block. A careful inspection of all flues, pipes and fire boxes will prevent innumerable fires. Each season has its dangers. Overheating in winter is to be guarded against, and summer is a time for extreme caution.

Error Common to Humanity

The only people who make no mistakes are dead people. I saw a man last week who had not made a mistake for four thousand years. He was a mummy in the Egyptian department of the British museum.—H. L. Ward.

Use Our Classified Ads.

Table with Detroit United Lines Birmingham Time Table. Columns include Southbound Limited, Southbound Local, and Northbound Local with times for various routes.

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